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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[NRC-2016-0158]

**Program-Specific Guidance About Possession Licenses for Production of Radioactive Material Using an Accelerator** 

**AGENCY**: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION**: Draft NUREG; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On December 16, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) solicited comments on draft NUREG-1556, Volume 21, Revision 1, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Possession Licenses for Production of Radioactive Material Using an Accelerator." The public comment period was originally scheduled to close on January 20, 2017. The NRC has decided to extend the public comment period to allow more time for members of the public to develop and submit their comments.

**DATES**: The due date of comments requested in the document published on December 16, 2016 (81 FR 91206) is extended. Comments should be filed no later than February 24, 2017. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

**ADDRESSES**: You may submit comments by any of the following methods (unless this document describes a different method for submitting comments on a specific subject):

- Federal Rulemaking Web Site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for
   Docket ID NRC-2016-0158. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher;
   telephone: 301-415-3463; e-mail: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact
   the individual listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.
- Mail comments to: Cindy Bladey, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: OWFN-12-H08, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

For additional direction on accessing information and submitting comments, see "Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments" in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert MacDougall, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards; U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-5175; e-mail: <a href="mailto:Robert.MacDougall@nrc.gov">Robert.MacDougall@nrc.gov</a>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

# A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID **NRC-2016-0158** when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by the following methods:

- Federal Rulemaking Web Site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC-2016-0158.
- NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):

  You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The draft NUREG-1556, Volume 21, Revision 1, is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML16336A536.
- NRC's PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The draft NUREG-1556, Volume 21, Revision 1, is also available on the NRC's public Web site on: (1) The "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses (NUREG-1556)" page at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/">http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/</a>; and (2) the "Draft NUREG-Series Publications for Comment" page at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment.html#nuregs">http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment.html#nuregs</a>.

# B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID **NRC-2016-0158** in the subject line of your comment submission, in order to ensure that the NRC is able to make your comment submission available to the public in this docket.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC posts all comment

submissions at http://www.regulations.gov as well as entering the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment submissions into ADAMS.

## II. Discussion

On December 16, 2016, the NRC solicited comments on draft NUREG-1556,

Volume 21, Revision 1, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific

Guidance About Possession Licenses for Production of Radioactive Material Using an

Accelerator."

The purpose of the document published on December 16, 2016 (81 FR 91206) was to provide the public an opportunity to review and comment on draft NUREG-1556, Volume 21, Revision 1. This NUREG provides guidance both to current holders of possession licenses for radioactive material produced in an accelerator and to persons preparing applications for such licenses. The NUREG also provides the NRC criteria for evaluating a license application.

The public comment period was originally scheduled to close on January 20, 2017. The NRC has decided to extend the public comment period on this document until February 24, 2016, to allow more time for members of the public to submit their comments.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2017.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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